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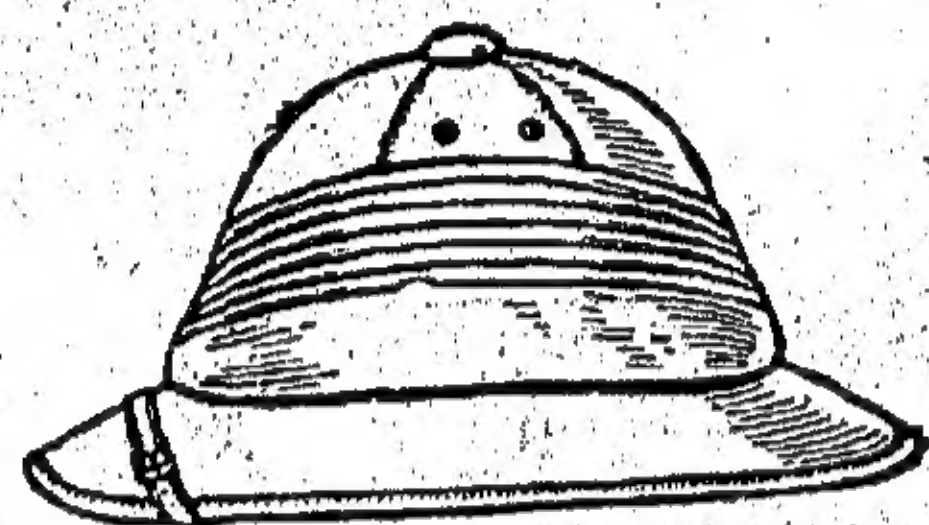


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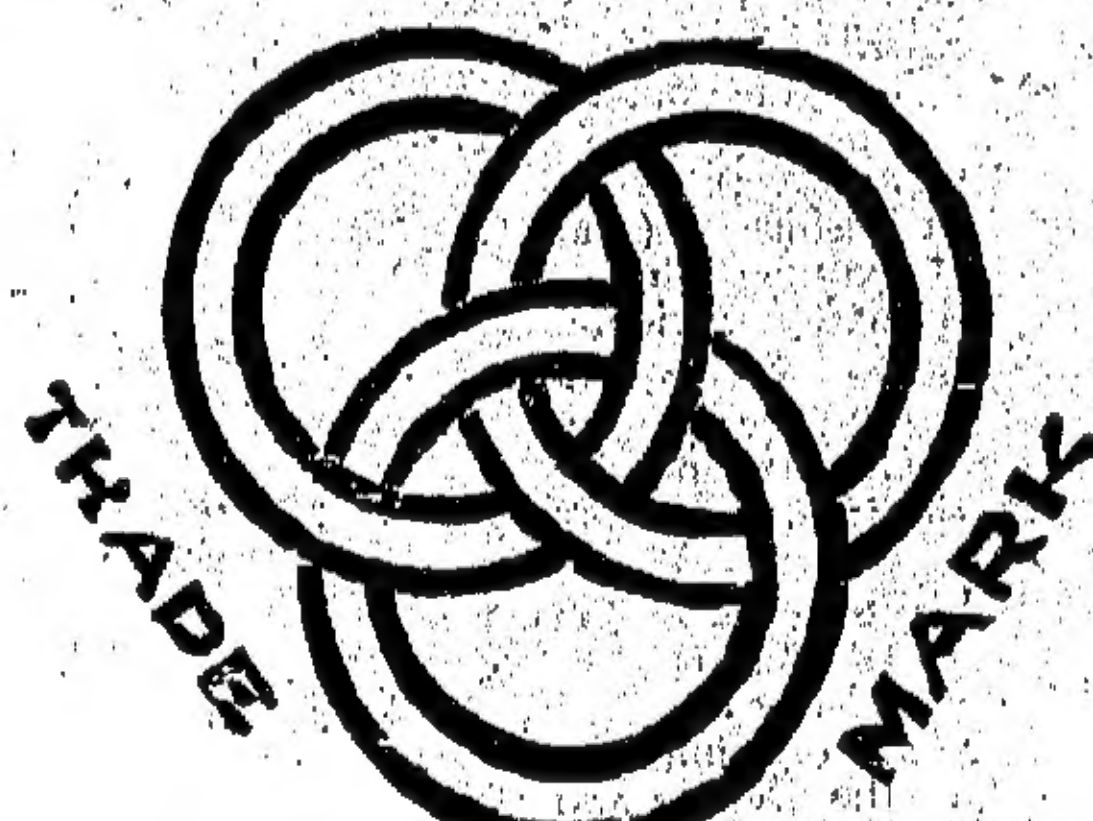
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Messrs. Vernon & Smith, in their
weekly share report dated the 19th
April, 1917, state:—

Owing to the early departure of the
mail this week, only a short period has
elapsed since our last report of 18th
inst. During the interval our local
market has been very quiet and inactive
and prices, in some instances, have
sagged, more from the absence of busi-
ness than from any pressure to sell. In-
vestment stocks keep firm and are dif-
ficult to obtain at quotations. Shanghai
market shows a better tone and somewhat
improved prices. Singapore market has
been quiet with little alteration in rates.
The following are latest wired quota-
tions:—

Alor Gajahs	8.425
Ayer Panas	12.75
Glenagly	2.55
Kedahs	4.35
Kempas	8.25
Malaka Pindas	4.50
Malakoffs	4.70
New Serendahs	4.50
Sanderefts	5.00
Tupahs	21.00

Plantation Rubber in London is 3/2 per

lb. Bar Silver is quoted 36 9/16. Sterling
T.T. is 2/4, Singapore T.T. is 100.
Shanghai T.T. and the Bank's buying
rate for three days' bills are both
nominal.

BANKS.—Hongkong and Shanghai
have been done at the improved figure of
\$710 and could probably be placed at
\$712 1/2.

MARINE INSURANCES.—Unions have been
done at \$812 1/2 and there are further
buyers. Cantons are wanted at \$875, but
no shares are coming out. North China
remains nominal at Tls. 150, and Yang-
tzes are quoted \$217 (exchange 73) ex-
dividend of \$18, also nominal.

FIRE INSURANCES.—China Fires and
Hongkong Fires are both in demand at
\$155 and \$320 respectively, but no busi-
ness is reported. The China Fire Com-
pany has declared a dividend of \$8 per
share.

SHIPPING.—Market has been very quiet.
Douglases have not come to business, but
are quoted \$52 sellers, and probably only a
limited number of shares obtainable
at the rate. Indo-China Deferred are
lower. Business has been done from
\$120, down to \$124 and they close with
buyers at \$124. Steamboats have been
firm and several small lots have been sold
at \$16, at which there are further buyers,
but nothing offering under \$14. Star
Ferries could be placed at \$34.

OILS.—Shells are quoted nominal at
107/-, and Ural Caspians at 28/-. Lang-
kots are a shade better with buyers at
Tls. 17 1/2.

REFINERIES.—China Sugars show no
change and remain at \$114 nominal, no
business being reported in them. Mala-
bors are in demand at \$32.

MINES.—Nothing is reported. Rubis
could be placed at \$250. Tronols are
offering at 27/6. Kallans are nominal
at 36/.

DOCKS, WHARVES AND GODOWNS.—Hong-
kong and Whampoa Docks are a little
lower with buyers at \$123 1/2 for the April
Settlement. Kowloon Wharves have
come to business at \$82, and are now
quoted \$82 nominal. Shanghai Docks
show a slight improvement and sales
have been made at Tls. 90.

LANDS, HOTELS AND BUILDINGS.—Both
Lands and Centrals have improved their
position. Centrals were done at \$100,
and close with this as the nominal quota-
tion. Lands were sold at \$97 1/2, and close
in demand at that rate. West Points
are wanted at \$75. Hotels remain
nominal at \$102, and Kowloon Lands at
\$23. Humphreys have been done at \$24,
which is now the nominal quotation.

COTTON MILLS.—Kung Yiks are better,
with buyers at Tls. 14. Ewos have been
sold at Tls. 150, and there are now buyers
at Tls. 147 1/2. Shanghai Cottons after
touching Tls. 120 are rather lower at
Tls. 118. Yangtzeopos are nominal at
Tls. 6.

MISCELLANEOUS.—Cements have de-
clined to a buying rate of \$3.15, at
which they close firm. Trams have been
done in good quantities at \$7.30, and
are still wanted at the figure. Electrics
are in demand at \$50, and Dairy Farms
at \$23. Powells could be placed at the
improved rate of \$64. Watsons are
nominal at \$94, as are China Provident
and China Borneos, both at \$8. China
Lights are wanted at \$4. Ropes are
nominal at \$25 1/2.

Miso.—Next Settlement Day, April
27th.

SAIGON RICE MARKET.

The Compagnie de Commerce et de
Navigation d'Extreme Orient, of Saigon,
in their report dated April 12th, state:—

We have no change to report in our
market, which is still steady on account
of the small quantity arriving daily
from the interior.

The total amount of rice exported
from the 1st January up to the 3rd
April is 318,726 tons, against 320,676 tons
in 1916.

We quoted to-day White rice, No. 2
Sifted Japan quality, Hongkong dollars
3.38 per picul (c.b. Saigon, for April/
May shipment.

BRITISH CHAMBER OF
COMMERCE.

A SURVEY OF THE YEAR'S WORK.

The annual general meeting of the
British Chamber of Commerce, Shanghai,
was held on April 13th, at the Palace
Hotel.

Mr. John Johnstone, who presided,
said: the balance in hand amounted to
Tls. 3,685.96, and the membership num-
bered 252.

After referring to the success of the
Chinese Language Schools inaugurated
by the Committee of the Chamber, the
Chairman proceeded: The work in con-
nection with the publication of our
Journals continues to grow, and there
can be no doubt that the information
which we are enabled to bring before
Chinese through their medium will prove
of increasing benefit to British trade.
At our last meeting I informed you that
the circulation of the English Journal
was nearly 700 copies and the Chinese
Journal 10,000. To-day the circulation
of the former is approximately 800, while
the last issue of the latter reached 13,000
copies. The value of judicious publica-
tion has more than made itself felt.

As regards the Chinese Journal, it is
becoming increasingly popular and many
are the inquiries received from inland
towns and cities and remote parts of the
Chinese Republic for British goods. It
has been the means of making known to
dwellers in these far distant parts the
value of British goods.

SHIPPING AND EXPORTS.

I couple these two under the one head-
ing because both are to a great extent
inter-dependent. The same problem with
which we were confronted last year—the
lack of tonnage—has occupied a great
deal of your Committee's attention.

The scarcity of tonnage has made itself
increasingly felt during the period under
review, and the resulting diversion of
cargo via Japan, whence it has been
possible to reship at rates cheaper than
were obtainable by the Conference lines,
has had an adverse effect on certain
classes of Export Trade. At the request
of H. M. Government a memorandum
has been prepared setting forth the ship-
ping and export situation, but, while
of considerable assistance to our Govern-
ment, I fear that little improvement can
be looked for in the situation here until
such time as Government needs will per-
mit of additional vessels, being made
available.

INSURANCE.

The most important matter that the
Insurance Sub-Committee have had under
consideration has been the question of
the registration of Chinese companies
and the Bill which has been drafted for
the Peking Government. The question
is one which seriously affects insurance
companies in China.

The attitude adopted by Chinese sug-
gested that foreign insurance companies
were in open opposition to the movement
of reform. Thus, I think, I may safely
say, is not the case. The British Cham-
ber of Commerce is desirous not of
placing obstacles in the way of good in-
surance legislation, but of assisting the
Chinese Government in any endeavours
it may undertake to that end.
Any reform of this nature, however,
must have far-reaching effects and if
legislation is to be invoked it should be
our endeavour to see that the questions
to be solved are represented in their true
perspective.

THE TON-TOU-TOU POLICY.

There are two other matters which I
consider should be brought to your notice.
The first is the question of what has been
generally called the "ton for ton"
policy. The ruthless warfare waged by
German submarines on practically all
merchant shipping—whether belligerent
or neutral—called for a definite statement
of policy, and your Chamber, therefore,
ranged themselves on the side of all
other British Chambers in China, in
demanding of the Home Government that
the peace terms should contain adequate
compensation for ships sunk by enemy
submarines. As a matter of interest I
give you the names of the other Cham-
bers of Commerce in China with whom we
associated ourselves in this movement.
They are Canton, Chefoo, Changsha,
Fochow, Hankow, Newchwang, Swat-
tow, Tientsin, and, although not forming
part of the Chinese Republic sufficiently
close to its borders to have very much
the same interests as we have, I may
mention that the Chamber in Hongkong
also supported the movement.

A MEMORIAL TO THOSE WHO HAVE GONE
TO THE FRONT.

The second point, gentlemen, is a mat-
ter which brings home to our very midst
the war with its demand for the pick of
our young manhood. I refer to a mem-
orial to be erected hereafter to those
gallant gentlemen of the Allies who, put-
ting duty before all else, have volun-
teered and placed their services at their
country's disposal. Some of them, I
say, we shall never have the pleasure
of welcoming back; others again,
will return to us fit and well. None of
them, gentlemen, looked for any com-
pensation. All of them should be re-
membered. It was to this end therefore
that your Committee approached both
the Councils with a request that a gift be
raised to all those men of the Allies,
who, little counting the cost, decided to
leave this port and do their utmost to
uphold right against wrong.

The site agreed upon between our
Allies in the French Concession and our-
selves is at the junction of the Quai de

France, Avenue Edouard VII. and The
Bund, a fitting position, I think, for a
monument such as is proposed.

THE PRESENT SURVIVAL.
Taking the whole year's working, I
think we have every reason to be proud
of our record and basing our opinion
of the future on what has been accom-
plished in the past, there is ample evi-
dence that the Chamber will become
increasingly useful. Our relations with
neighbouring Chambers have been, I am
pleased to say, of the very best. For the
past two years our enemies have been
busily organizing for trade after the war
and by every means in their power have
been endeavouring to undermine the pre-
stige of Great Britain. China has
now decided to take a hand in the game
herself and has ranged herself on the
side of common humanity. It is possible,
therefore, that German preparations for
post-bellum trade and the capital she has
sunk in preparing the way thereto, will
be brought to nothing. This must not
cause us to relax our efforts, however.
It simply means that a cunning and un-
scrupulous foe, whose methods to capture
trade have been on a par with the manner
in which he has waged this war, is for
a time—no one can possibly put a limit
to the period—rendered hors de combat.

We now meet others, we ourselves, for
the time being at a disadvantage, but
we meet them in fair competition; any
ascendency we at present have in trade,
however, cannot be maintained if we
are content to allow matters to move
along from an initial impetus. The
quality of British goods, and our rep-
utation for fair dealing will carry us
far, but our efforts must be continuous.
Gentlemen, this Chamber was formed to
further British trading interests and
diplomatic paths are tortuous, but if we
are to be abreast of the times we shall
have to study more closely than heretofore
our relations with China and there-
through our Chamber will bring the con-
ditions obtaining here to the closer know-
ledge of our Government. There is a
great future before British trade in
China, and we must use our best en-
deavours to see that that trade is fully
developed.

Mr. E. S. Little in seconding the pro-
posal to adopt the report and accounts
said that one of the great things they
were doing was to unify British in-
terests in China. For the first time in
the history of British trade in the Far
East they could say it was articulated.
It could now make known its wants to
China, and to the world and speak with
no uncertain voice—a voice which was
listened to by their own authorities.

RELATIONS WITH THE AUTHORITIES.

Their relations with the British Gov-
ernment had been cordial and intimate.
Previous to the establishment of the
Chamber there had always been a divi-
sion line between officials and merchants.
That was in process of disappearing, if
it had not entirely disappeared, had been
very much furthered by the representa-
tion on the committee of members of the
Consular staff; they had had Mr. Rose,
who was an indefatigable and tireless
worker. He had put in more work in
connection with the Chamber than any
other member of the committee, and his
efforts were keenly appreciated by all of
them. Mr. Rose had been seconded by the
officials in Peking and by the local Con-
sular staff. Mr. Rose had been seconded by the
Government officials as they had never
done before and vice versa. The Govern-
ment officials were also becoming more
cognisant of the wants of British trade.

The committee also were in agreement
as to the necessity of improving all
departments of the administration in
China. They had not reached the ideal
which was before them yet, but they
hoped very greatly to advance the efforts
they were making to further British
trading interests in China. They were
hoping, also, to encourage further and
closer intercourse with their Chinese
friends. The Chinese language scheme
which had been referred to would un-
doubtedly assist in this respect, but the
Chamber was also engaged in investiga-
tions in connection with the Chinese
Chamber of Commerce in order to further
British and Chinese trade in this country.
The result of these investigations would
probably be seen by the time of their
next annual meeting.

EDUCATION IN CHINA.

The committee was also interesting
itself in making representations on the
subject of education in China and it was
to be hoped that British ideas and ideals
would be presented in a more practical
and prominent way than ever before.
Other nations had gone ahead of the
British in introducing their national
ideas and ideals, but though they were
late they hoped they would be able to over-
take their duty in this respect also.
Chinese legislation was also being
watched by the committee and bills which
were before Parliament were being care-
fully looked into. It appeared to him
that the objects of the Chamber had been
more than justified and they were bring-
ing together British interests and repre-
senting them authoritatively as never
before.

He had just seen a map made in Ger-
many in which the British Isles were to
be devoted for the greater part to im-
perial hunting grounds for the German
royal family. After the war was finished
the vampire, bloodsucking head of the
German Empire would require no hunt-
ing grounds. A very small piece of
land would be all that the Imperial Ger-
man family would require. Not only
was their magnificent army and navy
finding themselves, but the British peo-
ple were also finding themselves in trade.
Their supremacy, during previous years
had been disputed in the Far East, but
no doubt they would find that themselves
and carry on in commerce as they were
doing in war. There was no doubt that
the British by their sterling qualities of
honesty, integrity and carrying out the
word of a contract and showing the
highest ideal of British trade could al-
ways maintain themselves in commerce
as elsewhere. (Applause.)

The resolution was carried unani-
mously.
The following general committee was
elected:—Messrs. J. Johnstone, A. W.
Burkell, H. E. Campbell, H. H. Girardet,
A. Howard, C. G. Humphreys, E. S.
Little, F. F. Mackay, E. O. Richards,
A. G. Stephen, H. G. Simms, G. A.
Richardson.

COMPANY MEETING.

YANGTZE INSURANCE
ASSOCIATION.

The 27th ordinary general meeting of
shareholders of the Yangtze Insurance
Association, Ltd., was held at Shanghai,
on April 13th.

The Chairman Mr. John Prentice
mentioned that the "Yangtze" had
opened a Fire Insurance Department,
in consequence of marine and fire in-
surance having, during the past few
years, become so closely connected one
with the other. Referring to the report
and accounts he said:

I will first refer to the working account
for 1916 and former years, the result of
which, your directors feel sure, you will
consider satisfactory as it shows a credit
balance of \$1,071,017.09 after transferring
the amount of \$243,906.24 to the credit of
exchange investment fluctuation account
in order to close that account. Your
directors recommended the payment of a
dividend of 25 per cent. out of that
balance, and to place \$250,000.00 to the
credit of a new reserve fund to be called
the investment and exchange reserve
fund. This will leave a balance
of \$851,017.09, out of which we
recommended that a sum of \$1,000 be
donated to the Sailors' War Orphans' Fund.

Working Account 1916:—With a
balance at credit of \$2,254,518.25, I am
afraid this account looks very much
better than it actually is, for, since Sep-
tember last, our losses, most of which
have not yet been paid and therefore do
not appear in the accounts, have been
terrible in the accounts, have been
heavy, both against marine and
war risks, particularly the latter. All
war risk business is speculative and we
have avoided, to a great extent, those
risks of an exceptionally speculative
character, but with the sudden and un-
expected changes in the war zone it has
been practically impossible to avoid such
risks entirely and escape the heavy losses
which have been reported during the
past six or seven months.

Marine losses have been exceptionally
heavy during the past few months,
largely in consequence of the increased
difficulties of navigation, owing to the
war, by the suppression of lights, and
by vessels being employed in trade for
which they were not intended.

Having had an exceptionally profitable
year in 1914 we recommended last year
an additional special dividend of 5 per
cent., but this year we think it advisa-
ble, under present uncertain circumstances,
to revert to our old rate of a special
dividend of 1 per cent. only, to be paid
out of interest earned during 1916, which
will cost \$38,000, and carry forward a
balance of \$2,216,518.15, which we hope
may be sufficient to pay the very heavy
losses pending against last year's opera-
tions.

Exchange Investment Fluctuation
Account:—As you will see from the re-
port, our only loss was the amount of
\$120,521.55, arising from the fall in the
value of the exchange of which our
investments a good deal to be taken on
the 1st of January, and to be placed to the
credit of this account in order to close
it to a point. We have provided for any
further rise in exchange by placing
\$250,000 to the credit of a new reserve
fund, the investment and exchange re-
serve fund. While these are in reality
only book entries it nevertheless means
that over seven lakhs of dollars have had
to be provided in order to meet the ex-
ceptional rise in the price of local cur-
rency. It is quite possible, of course,
that in the near future most of this loss
in exchange will be made good again,
and, when that takes place, we shall have
a handsome balance at credit of the re-
serve fund.

With regard to 1917 underwriting,
while it is impossible to say whether
losses will continue to the same extent
as they have during the past six months,
and therefore it is not possible to say
what the future has in store for us, I
can only say that 1917 has opened as
badly as, or even worse than, 1916 closed.

The report and accounts as presented
were adopted, and the payment of a
dividend of 30 per cent. equal to \$18 per
share on the paid-up capital of the Com-
pany, payable in instalments at 73 on April
14th, was authorised.

Mr. H. E. Arnold was added to the
directorate and the following were elected
directors: Messrs. Prentice,
Wrightson, Clarke, Burkill, and Sutherland.

It was decided to pay the General
Manager and staff a bonus on their
salaries for the year, the amount being
left to the Directors to decide but not
to exceed 20 per cent. in any case.

THE SALONIKA ARMY.

FRENCH DELEGATE'S DEMANDS.

M. de Chappedelaine, who was sent on
a mission to Salonika by the Committee
of Foreign Affairs, publishes an article
in the *Petit Parisien* on the work of the
Eastern Army. He reviews the begin-
nings of the expedition, the beginning
employed, he says, were not modest, and
refers to the attempts of the enemy to out-
flank the expedition and the reply of the
Allied Army in taking Florina and
Monastir. He regrets that our Army did
not count two more divisions, for, he
says, "we would have gone as far as
Uskub, liberating half of Serbia and
threatening the high road to Constantin-
ople."

To-day, the expeditionary army has
been reinforced. M. de Chappedelaine
refers to the gigantic nature of the work
accomplished, and concludes by demand-
ing that the Government shall give the
expeditionary corps all the necessary
means to fulfil its mission, that the block-
ade of the Otranto Channel shall be
completed, and that the road from Santi
Quaranta to Monastir shall be finished, so
that troops and material may be brought
up more quickly. "At last," he says,
"we shall have accomplished the tremen-
dous task of the Eastern Army, which in
a word is a Roman effort."—*Reuter*.

ON THE FRENCH FRONT. A HONGKONG MERCHANT WELCOMED.

There was a somewhat novel gathering in the offices of Messrs. Floquet & Knott, Prince's Buildings, yesterday, when Captain Rene Floquet, a member of the firm, was welcomed on his return to the Colony after thirty-one months on the French front in the West. Just before war broke out, Mr. Floquet, as he then was, left Hongkong for a holiday in France, and it was after his intention to be married. Since leaving Hongkong he has become both a husband and father, has risen from the rank of Sub-Lieutenant to Captain, and has won four military decorations for valour on the field, including the Legion d'Honneur, and the Croix de Guerre. He is staying in Hongkong for a few weeks, after which he will return to the front. Captain Floquet arrived in Hongkong yesterday, and upon arrival was immediately conveyed to the offices of Messrs. Floquet & Knott, where a large company, including many of his countrymen, had assembled to welcome him, including the French Consul, M. Beau. The latter, in the course of a short speech, proposed the health of Captain Floquet, and expressed the pleasure it gave them all to see him back with them again, with honours thick upon him. They were also glad to see that he was in such good health after his many exciting experiences, and trusted that he would be spared to see them again in the very near future.

In replying, Captain Floquet remarked how pleased he was to receive such a welcome to Hongkong again, and said he hoped that when the war was over and his "little bit" was done, he would see them all again in that room.

Captain Floquet is of a most unassuming disposition, and could not be persuaded to speak of the gallant deeds which secured him his decorations. "It was just a matter of luck," he said. "Some work had to be done, and I was on hand to do it. Someone saw me do it, and they thought it was worth a decoration, that is all. There are many brave deeds done every day on the Western front, which are not noticed. Myself, when I won the Legion d'Honneur I had four of my brother officers killed beside me. That was in the battle of the Marne." "My most exciting experiences occurred in the battle of the Somme," added the Captain. "Verdun was nothing to that battle. Verdun was more concentrated, but the battle of the Somme was carried out on a much wider front and the artillery firing was awful." In this connection Captain Floquet stated that the Allied superiority in artillery was very marked in the Somme battle. On many occasions they waited in the trenches for ten days, while the artillery was preparing the ground for them. That was really the worst part of the fighting; the waiting in the trenches, and the consequent nerve-racking firing of the artillery. This had a most disastrous effect upon some of the men, and even caused casualties through the giving way of nerves which could not stand the fearful strain. In his own trench there were casualties due to this cause.

Asked if he could form any opinion as to when the war would end, Captain Floquet emphatically stated that he could express no opinion whatsoever. "Of course, we hope that it will end very soon," he said, "but we do not know, and some of us do not really care; we have got so used to the life that we think that we would not be able to get on without it." He also expressed the opinion that the British were fighting better now than they had ever done before. Their infantry seemed to have much more dash, and their artillery was simply terrific; far superior to that of the Germans, hence the success of the latest offensive. In face of such artillery the Germans would not be able to hold out much longer, and if the present great pressure could be maintained there was no knowing what might not happen in the very near future.

STRIKE AGAINST GERMAN.

A strike by pupils of the higher grade school against learning German was reported to the P. T. O. yesterday. A Member: Isn't that a mistake? The Headmaster: Of course it is, but the pupils simply won't have it. Another Member: They had better learn Spanish instead.

THE RUSSIAN REVOLUTION. INTERESTING LETTER TO A HONGKONG RESIDENT.

The following is a summary translation of a letter just received from an important city in European Russia about twenty-four hours by rail from Petrograd. It gives details that are not uninteresting:—

"We are in full revolution. It has come, or rather burst, suddenly over us like a bolt from the blue. It began in Petrograd on the 23rd February. The people came out into the streets clamouring for 'bread'; and the old Government gave them 'lead.' But the soldiers soon realised the situation, and refused to fire on the crowds. After a brief misunderstanding, they went to the Duma and promised to uphold the new Government, which had meantime been formed. At the present moment we have our Ministers, among whom are Social Democrats and Revolutionary Socialists.

"The Tsar has abdicated for himself and for his son. . . . has done the same . . . since we must be unanimous to finish the war. Order is everywhere. After two days' rioting the people began to resume their daily work.

"On all sides the chiefs of the old administration have been arrested and replaced by citizens known for their honesty. From the prisons, along with political prisoners, they set free criminals—either in error or by design: gradually, however, the latter are being seized, although, so far, they have not been able—perhaps they have not wished, who knows!—to harm anyone. We have still much to do, but, at this stage, we are full of the hope which gives strength, will and power to act. May God send us reason, so that we may all be of one mind, and then our end will be reached.

"What an interesting and new life awaits us! I am not giving you details of contemporary life in Nijni; but, you know what are the feelings which stir me. Besides, I have lost the power to express myself logically. The Revolution! It is so simple, and yet so complicated! . . .

The omitted parts, it must be added, have been cut out bodily, and not blacked out, as is customarily done. Further, the letter was censored, not at Moscow, as previous letters from the same source have been, but at Irkutsk, half-way across Siberia.

The letter also contained the draft of a telegram, which was to have been sent to Hongkong, but which was refused. It simply said:—

"Tsar has abdicated. Are hoping to have a Republic of free citizens." Then followed two signatures.

* Old style—on 8th March.

CANTON LOCAL RED CROSS WORKERS.

THREE MONTHS' ACTIVITIES.

The following is a summary of the shipments sent home during the three months ended March 31st last by the Red Cross workers at Canton. Cases have been shipped by the courtesy of Messrs. Shaw, Tones & Co., and the Peninsular and Oriental S. N. Co., and have been addressed variously to Queen Mary's Needlework Guild; to the Kempton Red Cross Hospital, Eastbourne; and to Colonel Gordon-Hall, R.A.M.C., Cairo:—

33 pneumonia jackets, 323 many-tailed bandages, 600 roller bandages, 270 triangular bandages, 165 suspensory bandages, 87 abdominal bandages, 69 cushion pads, 63 pairs socks, 6 pairs surgical socks, 27 eye bandages, 55 pairs pyjamas, 21 flannel shirts, 43 tray cloths, 33 jug covers, 41 brush and comb bags, 6 pillow-cases, 54 handkerchiefs, 6 bath swabs, 35 soft collars, 12 hospital cloths, 2 bed covers.

Also a number too numerous to detail, of the following:—Trays, tea, soap, sweets, ginger, tobacco, fly-traps, combs, tooth-brushes, cards, games, Chinese puzzles, straw slippers, magazines.

In order to augment the funds of the Canton Local Red Cross Workers, the committee arranged a Raffle, the proceeds of which were divided as follows:—

\$500 for the Canton Local Red Cross Workers.
\$200 for the French Red Cross.
\$200 for the Russian Red Cross.

HONGKONG CRIMINAL SESSIONS.

The Hongkong Criminal Sessions opened yesterday, both Courts sitting.

ALLEGED BANKRUPTCY MIS-STATEMENT.
Mui Chey, alias Mui Chung-yat, was charged before the Chief Justice for making a mis-statement in his statement of affairs in bankruptcy.

Mr. F. C. Jenkin, (instructed by Mr. Aggasiz) appeared for the accused, and Mr. Eldon Potter, (instructed by Mr. F. B. L. Bowley) prosecuted. Prisoner pleaded not guilty.

The jury was empanelled as follows:—Messrs. Davis, A. Maraca Vas, Harry Pain, L. P. Shan, L. L. Remedios, C. J. Hammes, and H. Griffin.

Mr. Potter said that about the year 1907, the defendant, with others, started a Chinese bank called the Pun Puen, and not long afterwards defendant and others commenced a business as commission agents. The bank was very largely interested in this latter business, and, as a matter of fact, the commission business was carried on on the premises of the bank. Towards the end of August, 1914, the bank got into financial difficulties, and on September 2nd, a meeting of the partners was called, when it was decided that further capital should be put up. This resolution was never carried out, and shortly after this date a receiving order was made against the bank. Negotiations took place between the creditors of the bank and the partners, and the person who negotiated on behalf of the defendant was a man named Tam Wong-tong. The result of the negotiations was that four trustees were appointed on behalf of the creditors and an arrangement was come to. Part of the arrangement was that a certain sum of money due from a firm in America to the commission agents business should be put in the form of a bond and signed by the defendant, who made himself liable therefor. As a matter of fact, the defendant never did sign this bond, which was for \$15,000. The defendant having failed to pay anything on this bond, the trustees brought an action against him on July 26th, 1915, when the defendant consented to judgment.

Later, however, he filed a petition in bankruptcy, so the trustees were not paid at all. On July 26th, he filed his petition, and on August 9th he filed a statement of affairs. Included in this statement of affairs was a statement in which he alleged that he owed a debt of \$3,500 to a man named Sam Hop-tong under a borrowing note. That statement was a false statement. It was false because no such money was ever lent. The prosecution would also prove that in August, 1915, the defendant got into touch with a man named Un San-chung, who was asked if he would prove this as a debt in bankruptcy. Of course, if Un San-chung had agreed to this, there would have been this amount of \$3,500 saved for the defendant. The defendant's story of this note was that it was given to Un San-chung as a reward for his having negotiated with the creditors of the bank in 1914. Defendant never informed the Official Receiver of that fact when he filed his petition. It seemed to him (Mr. Potter) an extraordinary thing that defendant should become personally liable for this debt of \$3,500 when he was only a partner among three or four. It seemed a little difficult to believe that defendant had put his hand in his own pocket and made himself responsible for this amount.

The hearing was adjourned.

BANISHMENT.

For returning from banishment two Chinese were sentenced to five years' hard labour.

ARMED ROBBER.

The case was commenced in which five men are charged with armed robbery and kidnapping at Shui Han. The men who are not defended plead not guilty. The facts of the case, which were given when the alleged robbers were charged at the Magistrate, were outlined by Mr. Orme, and the hearing was adjourned.

HONGKONG MAGISTRACY. A STABBING AFFRAY.

Before Mr. Wood a Chinese coolie was charged with causing bodily harm to a wood sawyer at Wanchai. It was stated that the accused was seen by others to stab the complainant in the abdomen with a dagger. The wound was so serious that the injured man had to be taken to the Government Civil Hospital. The accused man alleges that the wound was caused by someone else. A week's remand was granted.

HONGKONG OVERSEAS CLUB. EFFORT TO BE MADE TO SUPPLY AN AEROPLANE.

A meeting of the Hongkong branch of the Overseas Club was held at Messrs. Lane and Crawford's mess room last evening when Mr. H. Hancock presided over it by no means satisfactory attendance, about twenty people being present.

Mr. J. J. Bryan, the Hon. Secretary of the Club, explained that the meeting had been called to discuss the question of a headquarters for the Club. Many suggestions had been made in this connection, but the premises were all too far away. Also, at present they had not a very large membership, and organisation was very much needed in that direction. The Hon. Secretary also mentioned that the Club had a sum of \$351.40 in hand in connection with the Netley Hospital bed fund, and suggested that a portion of that sum, say \$500, should be devoted to form the nucleus of an aircraft fund.

Mr. Ho Fook had recently presented an aeroplane, but people should not run away with the idea that no more aeroplanes were needed. It was up to every class of the community to subscribe something towards an aircraft fund. He had approached the various communities in the Colony in connection with the fund which had been started, and, up to the present, he had been promised a cheque for \$1,065 by the Parsee community, which was a very good start. The subscription lists were posted up at all the principal places in the Colony. The Victoria Theatre had promised to give the proceeds of a variety night, and the proprietor of the Grand Hotel had promised to give the whole proceeds of a special dinner at the hotel on St. George's night.

It was eventually decided, in view of the small attendance, to call another meeting, which will be held on May 2nd.

ST. GEORGE'S DAY. SCENES FROM SHAKESPEARE.

The Scenes, Songs and Speeches to be presented on St. George's Day at the Theatre Royal, and to be repeated on the following Wednesday (matinee), and Saturday at 9.15 p.m. comprise the following:—

Yester's Prologue from "Henry VIII."
"King John"—Act IV. Sc. 1.
"Who is Silvia?" song from "The Two Gentlemen of Verona."
"Twelfth Night"—Act II, Sc. III.
Jacques' Soliloquy from "As You Like It."
Ballet illustrating "A Midsummer Night's Dream," to the music of Mendelssohn's "Ronde Capricieuse."
"Hamlet"—Act I, Sc. IV & V. Act III, Sc. 1 (Part).
"Under the Greenwood Tree": song from "As You Like It."
"The Merry Wives of Windsor"—Act II, Sc. 1 (Part). Act III, Sc. 3.
"Full fathom five": song from "The Tempest."
"Henry V" battle Speech before Harfleur.
Rosalind's Epilogue from "As You Like It."
The Epilogue from Elgar's "Banner of St. George" (with vision of St. George).

The choral items will be rendered by a chorus of 70 voices under the direction of Mr. Denman Fuller.

By kind permission of Lieutenant-Colonel John Ward, M.P., and Officers, the orchestra of the 25th Middlesex Regiment will be in attendance.

BRITISH CARS IN RUMANIA. OFFICER'S ESCAPE.

Details have come to hand of the exploits of the British armoured cars in the Dobrudja and in Roumania. They were floated up the Danube and hurled quite unexpectedly against the Bulgarian infantry in the Dobrudja. For three hours they rained shots on the advancing masses of the enemy and held their ground in spite of heavy fire. They thus facilitated the successful retirement of two regiments.

The general in command acknowledged his debt of gratitude to them. He presented several British soldiers with medals on the battlefield in the presence of his own men, desiring, he said, that his troops should see British bravery rewarded. Their casualties were not unduly heavy. The experience of Lieutenant Ingle, who was wounded, is noteworthy. While under extremely hot fire he repeatedly left his car when it became bogged in order to restart the engine. He was wounded and crawled into a ditch. The advancing Bulgarians passed over him without taking him prisoner, and were driven back shortly afterwards by the Russians.

Lieutenant Ingle lay all day between the lines, and at nightfall managed to crawl for twelve hours continuously to the Russian lines many miles distant. Several cars were bogged against the enemy barbed wire, but all were rescued during the night.

Commander Locker-Lampson was received by the King of Roumania and warmly thanked for the services of the detachment.

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NEW ADVERTISEMENTS

ST. GEORGE'S DAY.

THE EXCHANGE BANKS will be CLOSED for the transaction of EXCHANGE BUSINESS on MONDAY, the 23rd instant, at 1 p.m.
Hongkong, 18th April, 1917. [536]

ST. GEORGE'S DAY.
MONDAY, APRIL 23rd, 1917.

DISTRIBUTION OF BADGES, ETC.

WITH reference to the Circular Letter sent out by the Ladies' Committee, will Ladies in charge of Centres kindly note that for the convenience of those desiring to attend the Gymkhana to be held at Happy Valley on the afternoon of SATURDAY, the 21st inst., TRAYS, TINS and BADGES will be distributed at the CITY HALL on SATURDAY, between 12 and 1 p.m.

The Distribution will be continued in the afternoon between the hours of 2.30 and 5 p.m. On MONDAY, APRIL 23rd, the Centre Depot has been changed from the City Hall to the HONGKONG JOCKEY CLUB PAVILION (kindly sent by the Committee of the Hongkong Jockey Club). It is therefore requested that all this be handed in at the Jockey Club Pavilion and not as previously advised at the City Hall.

The distribution of TINS, TRAYS and BADGES, etc., on SATURDAY next, will take place at the CITY HALL.

HONGKONG GYMKHANA CLUB.

THE FIRST GYMKHANA MEETING of the Season will be held at HAPPY VALLEY, on SATURDAY, the 21st April, commencing at 3 p.m.

The Charge of Admission will be 31 for than Members of the Hongkong Jockey Club and 36 for others. Ladies in charge of Centres and Saloons in uniform free. Committee invite the Ladies of Hongkong to be present.

HONGKONG GOLF CLUB.

PROFESSIONAL PAIRS.

THE Dates for completion of the various Rounds are Extended One Week.
K. M. CUMMING,
Hon. Secretary. [541]

HONGKONG TRAMWAY COMPANY

(Incorporated in the United Kingdom.)

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that the ORDINARY GENERAL MEETING of the HONGKONG TRAMWAY COMPANY, LIMITED, will be held at the Office of Messrs JARDINE, MATHESON & Co., Ltd., Pedder Street (Hongkong), on WEDNESDAY, the 26th day of April, 1917, at 12 o'clock Noon, to transact the ordinary business of the Company.

By Order of the Board,
W. E. ROBERTS,
Secretary.

Hongkong, 2nd March, 1917. [539]

"BEN" LINE OF STEAMERS.

NOTICE TO CONSIGNEES.

SS. "BENDORAN."

FROM LONDON AND STRAITS.

CONSIGNEES of Cargo are hereby informed that all Goods are being landed at their risk into the hazardous and/or extra hazardous Godowns of the Hongkong and Kowloon Wharf and Godown Co., Ltd., whence and/or from the wharves delivery may be obtained.

No Claims will be admitted after the Goods have left the Godowns, and all Goods remaining undelivered after the 25th inst. will be subject to work.

All Claims against the Steamer must be presented to the Underwriter on or before the 30th inst., or they will not be recognized.

All broken, chafed, and damaged Goods are to be left in the Godowns, where they will be examined on the 25th inst., at 11 a.m.

No Fire Insurance has been effected. Bills of Lading will be counter-signed by GIBB, LIVINGSTON & Co., Agents.

Hongkong, 18th April, 1917. [540]

ST. GEORGE'S DAY.

APRIL 23rd, 1917.

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HONGKONG STOCK EXCHANGE.

NOTICE.

THE HONGKONG STOCK EXCHANGE will be CLOSED on MONDAY, 23rd April 1917, at 1 p.m., ST. GEORGE'S DAY.

By Order,
B. HANCOCK,
Secretary. [530]

PUBLIC AUCTION.

THE Undersigned has received instructions to sell by Public Auction, TO-DAY (THURSDAY), the 19th April, 1917, commencing at 11 a.m., at his Sales Rooms, Duddell Street, A LARGE QUANTITY OF

BLACK AND BROWN BOOTS AND SHOES.

White Canvas Boots and Shoes, Soft and Hard Faced Dress Shirts, Coloured Linen and Zephyr Soft Shirts, Woolen Vests and Underpants, Silk and Lisle Socks, Silk Ties, Coloured Sweaters, Tweed and Felt Hats, Panama Straw Hats, Silk Umbrellas, Fongee Silk, Silk Handkerchiefs and Table Centres, etc.

N.B.—The above have been slightly damaged by water and will be sold without reserve.

On view now.
Catalogues will be issued.
Terms:—Cash on delivery.

GEO. P. LAMBERT,
Auctioneer. [531]

PUBLIC COMPANIES

UNION INSURANCE SOCIETY OF CANTON, LTD.

NOTICE TO SHAREHOLDERS.

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that the FORTY-FOURTH ORDINARY YEARLY MEETING of the Society will be held at its Head Office, No. 4, Queen's Buildings, Hongkong, on THURSDAY, the 26th April, 1917, at Noon, for the purpose of receiving the Report of the Directors together with the Statements of Account to 31st December, 1916, and of declaring Dividends, &c.

The TRANSFER BOOKS of the Society will be CLOSED from 16th April to 26th April, both days inclusive.

By Order of the Board,
C. MONTAGUE EDE,
General Manager.
Hongkong, 14th April, 1917. [516]

CHINA FIRE INSURANCE COMPANY, LIMITED.

NOTICE TO SHAREHOLDERS.

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that the FORTY-EIGHTH ORDINARY YEARLY MEETING of the Company will be held at its Head Office, No. 4, Queen's Buildings, Hongkong, on THURSDAY, the 26th April, 1917, at 12.30 p.m., for the purpose of receiving the Report of the Directors together with the Statements of Account to 31st December, 1916, and of declaring Dividends, &c.

The TRANSFER BOOKS of the Company will be CLOSED from 16th April to 26th April, both days inclusive.

By Order of the Board,
C. MONTAGUE EDE,
General Manager.
Hongkong, 14th April, 1917. [517]

BRITISH TRADERS' INSURANCE COMPANY, LIMITED.

NOTICE TO SHAREHOLDERS.

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that the FIFTY-FIRST ORDINARY YEARLY MEETING of the Company will be held at its Head Office, No. 4, Queen's Buildings, Hongkong, on THURSDAY, the 26th April, 1917, at 12.45 a.m., for the purpose of receiving the Report of the Directors together with the Statements of Account to 31st December, 1916, and of declaring Dividends, &c.

The TRANSFER BOOKS of the Company will be CLOSED from 16th April to 26th April, both days inclusive.

By Order of the Board,
C. MONTAGUE EDE,
General Manager.
Hongkong, 14th April, 1917. [518]

CANTON INSURANCE OFFICE, LTD.

NOTICE TO SHAREHOLDERS.

THE THIRTY-SIXTH ORDINARY MEETING OF SHAREHOLDERS will be held at the Office of the Undersigned, on THURSDAY, the 3rd May, 1917, at Noon. The TRANSFER BOOKS of the Company will be CLOSED from the 18th instant to the 3rd May, both days inclusive.

JARDINE, MATHESON & Co., Ltd.,
General Agents.
Hongkong, 16th April, 1917. [523]

THE HONGKONG ELECTRIC CO., LIMITED.

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that the

TWENTY-EIGHTH ORDINARY GENERAL MEETING will be held at the Company's Office, St. George's Buildings, on SATURDAY, the 5th May, 1917, at 12 o'clock Noon, for the purpose of presenting the Report of the Directors together with a Statement of Accounts to 28th February, 1917, and electing Directors and Auditors.

The TRANSFER BOOKS of the Company will be CLOSED from the 21st April to the 5th May, both days inclusive.

By Order of the Board of Directors,
GIBB, LIVINGSTON & Co.,
Agents.
Hongkong, 17th April, 1917. [532]

HONGKONG AND SHANGHAI BANKING CORPORATION.

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that

Certificate No. 5/N.S. 1956 dated Hongkong 21st February, 1912, for Three Shares numbered 87639, 14331, and 89966 registered in the name of Mrs. MARIA DAS NEVES RIBEIRO has been LOST or STOLEN, and should this Certificate not be produced to the Bank before the 11th day of May, 1917, a New Certificate for the shares will be issued, and the aforesaid Certificate No. 5/N.S. 1956 will thereafter be treated by this Corporation as Null and Void.

By Order of the Court of Directors,
N. J. STABE,
Chief Manager.
Hongkong, 11th April, 1917. [500]

HONGKONG JOCKEY CLUB.

NOTICE.

THE HALF-YEARLY MEETING of Members will be held on SATURDAY, the 21st April, 1917, at 12 o'clock Noon, at the Office of the Jockey Club, on the Ground Floor of the Hongkong Club Annex, Chater Road.

By Order,
T. F. HOUGH,
Clerk of the Course.
Hongkong, 6th April, 1917. [490]

MESSRS. KOMOR & KOMOR

Open on WEDNESDAY, the 18th inst.

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M. KINSEN.

The Exhibition will be on view for One Week Only. All lovers of Art are cordially invited to see or purchase these Beautiful Paintings.

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Alexandra Buildings,
Des Voeux Road.
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(as arranged for ST. GEORGE'S DAY)

WILL BE REHEATED IN AID OF WAR CHARITIES

ON WEDNESDAY, 25TH APRIL,

MATINEE AT 5 P.M.

ON SATURDAY, 28TH APRIL,

AT 9.15 P.M.

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PRICES AS USUAL:

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Soldiers and Sailors in uniform will be admitted at Half-Price.

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NOTICE OF REMOVAL.

MESSRS. W. G. HUMPHREYS & Co.

have now REMOVED to No. 5, DUNDRELL STREET. All communications in future should be sent to that address.

Hongkong, 11th April, 1917. [510]

ULDERUP & SCHLUTER

(In Liquidation).

SECOND AND LAST DIVIDEND OF 10 PER CENT.

CREDITORS of the above Firm are hereby notified that a Second and Last Dividend of 10 per cent. on the amount of their Claims will be paid on application to the Undersigned.

W. G. HUMPHREYS & Co.,
No. 5, DUNDRELL STREET,
Liquidators.
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HOUSES TO LET

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COLONIAL SECRETARY'S DEPARTMENT.

IT IS HEREBY NOTIFIED that the

Government are prepared to LET an OFFICE to suitable tenant Room No. 5 on the Top Floor of the Post Office Building (New Government Office) in Pedder Street on yearly tenancy.

Further particulars and conditions of letting may be obtained on application at the Office of the Director of Public Works.

CLAUDE SEVERN,
Colonial Secretary.
Hongkong, 13th April, 1917. [514]

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INTIMATION

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HONGKONG.

TELEPHONE 612.

DEATH.

LOGAN.—At the Victoria Nursing Home, Shanghai, on April 12th, James Henry Logan, Sr., late Straits Settlements Civil Service, aged 69 years.

HONGKONG OFFICE: 10A, DES VOUEX ROAD, C.

LONDON OFFICE: 181, FLEET STREET, E.C.

The Daily Press.

HONGKONG: 19TH APRIL, 1917.

EASTERN FRONT.

Though there have been no dramatic changes in the relative geographical positions of the combatants since the beginning of the week, the fighting on the Western Front is being vigorously maintained, and everywhere the battle is going steadily in favour of the Allied armies. Lens has not yet been entirely occupied by our troops, and St. Quentin, which was threatened from two directions some time ago and regarded as doomed, is still holding out. The recovery of territory, however, has never been the principal objective of the Allies. Times out of number it has been pointed out that our chief aim must be to reduce Germany's man-power until her strategic reserve is exhausted, and paradoxical as it may appear, the longer the enemy retain their present line the more quickly will the issue be decided. Long preparation, it must be remembered, is necessary before a large offensive movement can be commenced with any promise of success, and at one time there appeared to be a danger that the enemy would frustrate our plans for a decisive summer campaign by a series of skillfully executed retirements on various sections of the front, withdrawing their heavy guns out of our reach and avoiding any serious encounter. They found, possibly, that the wonderfully improved means of communication behind our lines enabled us to follow them more quickly than they anticipated, or, perhaps, they seriously believed the famous "Hindenburg Line" to be impregnable. Whatever may be the reason, they have, apparently, elected to face the French and British armies upon the front running from Lens through Cambrai, St.

Quentin and Laon to the east of Rheims. The result is seen in the enormously increased number of casualties which they have suffered, and it is in such terms that we must now measure our success. Sir Douglas Haig reports that upwards of 14,000 prisoners and 194 guns have been taken since the 9th inst. Sir Douglas Haig, however, is only conducting one part of the operations. While he is "crumbling up" the northern end of the "Hindenburg Line," the French are striking fiercely further south between St. Quentin and the Oise, and between Soissons and Rheims. Their prisoners already exceed 10,000, and they have also captured a considerable quantity of material. Altogether the German casualties are estimated at one hundred thousand.

If fighting of this nature is continued, the Germans will suffer half-a-million casualties within a month, and it is certain that they will not be able long to withstand such a strain. General NIVELLE is reported to have found the strategically weakest point in the enemy's line, and the Germans are massing considerable forces to meet the expected attack, although the men are badly needed to confront the British farther north. Already, it is semi-officially stated in Paris, the Germans have concentrated at least twenty divisions and all their available batteries between Soissons and Rheims. No closer indication is given of where this weak point is situated than that it is in Champagne. Desperate encounters are taking place in the region of Craonne, and between Soissons and Craonne the first German position has been occupied. Further east, the second German positions south of Juvin-court, have fallen, and the French line has been carried to the western outskirts of Bermericourt and as far as the Aisne Canal. These successes, in conjunction with the French movement between St. Quentin and the Oise, jeopardise Laon, which stands on a great mound in the centre of a plain, commanding a junction of the strategic railways, one of which runs direct towards the Belgian frontier. Beyond Berry-au-bac, towards which the French are gradually converging, lies an open approach to this plain, and a complete break in the German front here will endanger all the German armies in Champagne. The only serious counter-stroke by the Germans so far has been an attack on the British positions at Hermies, which were threatening the communications with Cambrai. Four German divisions participated, and the result was a serious reverse for Crown Prince Rupprecht of Bavaria, who was in command. The details of the battle, with which we have been furnished, demonstrate once again the individual superiority of our fighting forces over those of Germany. The Germans advanced in formidable waves, but our men stood their ground everywhere, except in one spot where the enemy, by overwhelming weight of numbers, gained a short-lived success. It was an example of the old-fashioned field fighting and open warfare. The attacking forces wavered, then rallied again, but they could not face the fire. Our artillery played havoc in their ranks, and the intensity of the rifle fire is said to have been unequalled since the days of the Marne. In their retreat the Germans were caught by their own wire. They could not find a passage and were shot down in hundreds. It is estimated that this assault alone cost the Germans nearly 8,000 casualties. Such experiences must have a serious effect upon the morale of the troops, and it is unlikely that the "impenetrable steel wall" of which the Kaiser has boasted will stand for long against the shattering effects of these blows which are now being levelled against it.

Americans in Peking are about to form a volunteer force.

Mr. E. Gordon Lowder, Commissioner of Customs, Kowloon, has returned to the Colony.

The total output of the Kailan Mining Administration's mines for the week ending 7th April, amounted to 64,995 tons and the sales to 50,334 tons.

The annual general meeting of the Hongkong Tramway Company, Ltd., will be held at the offices of Messrs. Jardine, Matheson & Co., Ltd., on Wednesday, April 25th at 12 noon.

The name of Colonel John Ward M.P., commanding the Middlesex Regiment, was included in a list published in a recent supplement to the Gazette as having been brought to the notice of the Secretary of State for War, "for valuable services rendered in connection with the war."

Mr. H. E. Fulford, C.M.G., H.M. Consul-General, Mrs. Fulford and their daughter left Tientsin on the 6th en route to Colombo and probably Australia. Mr. Fulford has had a long and honourable career in H.M.'s Consular Service in China, and, says the *P. and T. Times*, much sympathy is felt for him, by his numerous friends, in having to relinquish his post

THE WAR.

BRITISH STILL ADVANCING.

LABOUR TROUBLES IN GERMANY.

THOUSANDS ON STRIKE.

BLOCKADE OF AMERICAN PORTS COMMENCED.

GERMANY AND HER DEAD.

Franco-Belgian Front.

LATEST CABLES.

[THROUGH REUTER'S AGENCY.]

THE FRENCH OFFENSIVE.

MORE GERMAN POSITIONS TAKEN.

PARIS, April 18th.

A communiqué states:—We have extended our action east of Rheims, and attacked the German lines between Prunay and the St. Hilaire and St. Sauppley road. Notwithstanding violent squalls of rain and snow, our troops advanced with irresistible ardour and carried, on a front of fifteen kilometres, and despite the enemy's resistance, the whole of the first German position.

Our men, pushing beyond this position to the south of Moronvilliers, brilliantly conquered, for an extent of eleven kilometres, a line of solidly organised heights from Mount Cornillet to east of Vaudivert Court. Further east, a spirited action resulted in our capturing the village of Aulerine and a powerfully fortified salient formed by the German line around the village on a front of three kilometres.

ENEMY RESISTANCE.

LONG AND BITTER BATTLE.

LONDON, April 18th.

Reuter's correspondent at the French Headquarters, writes:—The enemy are resisting our counter-attacking in the most determined manner. There is every indication that the battle will be long and bitter, and will continue until a decision is reached. The correspondent watched the encirclement of one of the most powerfully organised villages, which was a new work. It was machine-gunned, had caves and cellars, and was protected frontally by fortified quarries and a fire swept valley, the whole being impregnable to a frontal attack. The rapidity of the fire of the 75's preceding attack, was most amazing, the batteries belching scores of shells per minute for several minutes continuously. The infantry did not attempt to take the village, which was encircled, as their objective was the plateau beyond.

THE "BAGDAD MENDICANT."

SOME GERMAN CLAIMS EXPLAINED.

LONDON, April 18th.

Reuter's correspondent at Headquarters, referring to the capture of 22 guns at Lagni Court, claimed by a German message on the 16th inst., says the communiqué are a sham and the most florid efforts the Baghdad Mendicant has advanced. The German was admittedly reached a number of our guns which had been punishing them, and began placing dynamite in the breach-blocks. Owing to the swiftness of our counter-attacks, however, only four eighteen-pounders and one light howitzer were disabled. Then the Germans were driven back to their own wire, where they were simply mowed down. Not a single gun was removed from the spot where it stood previous to the German attack.

BRITISH CONTINUE TO PRESS ENEMY.

LONDON, April 17th.

Field-Marshal Sir Douglas Haig reports:—We have made further progress northward of Gouzeaucourt, near Havrincourt Wood.

Encounters have occurred throughout the day westward and north-western of Lens, where we continue to press the enemy.

Hostile attempts to drive back the advanced troops failed.

There was much useful aeroplane work on Monday, despite the exceedingly unfavourable weather. Three German machines were driven down damaged. In most cases the enemy avoided combat. Five of our machines are missing.

EARLIER CABLES.

THE GREAT ADVANCE.

100,000 GERMANS OUT OF ACTION.

LONDON, April 17th.

A semi-official message issued in Paris states:—The Germans have massed at least twenty Divisions and all their available batteries on the Soissons Rheims front.

Our advance has reached a depth of between three and four kilometres at certain points.

Altogether, the Allies have rendered hors de combat 100,000 Germans during the past eight days.

BRITISH CAPTURE.

LONDON, April 17th.

Field-Marshal Sir Douglas Haig reports:—In the neighbourhood of Epehy, we captured Tombois Wood, on the Lempire-Fendhuille road, and progressed along the spur to the north-east of Epehy station. We took a few prisoners. The weather is stormy.

NEW FRENCH POSITION.

PARIS, April 17th.

A communiqué states:—We organised the position won between Soissons and Rheims.

A strong German counter-attack on our new line in the region of Ailles was broken by our curtain of fire and machine-gun fire, which inflicted heavy losses on the enemy. Other enemy counter-attacks in the sector of Courcy also failed.

The weather continues very bad. There is a lull in the artillery firing in the sectors west of Auberive and in Champagne.

Nine enemy aeroplanes were brought down, including Captain Juynemer's thirty-sixth.

GERMAN VIEWS.

LONDON, April 17th.

A German official message states:—One of the greatest battles of the mighty war, and therefore one of the greatest in the world's history, has been progressing on the Aisne since the 6th inst. The artillery firing and mine-throwing are unprecedented in duration, mass and intensity.

Yesterday morning, the French, in deep column, attacked from Soupir to Bethany. During the afternoon, the French threw in fresh masses, carrying out lateral attacks between the Oise and Conde-sur-Aisne.

The artillery firing continued to-day, levelling the positions and rendering an obstinate defence no longer possible. Righting was no longer against a line but over a deep and irregular fortified zone. The battle swung backwards and forwards around the foremost positions, our object being, even if war material were lost, to spare the lives of our forces and to inflict losses on the enemy. This was achieved, thanks to our heroes. A French attempt to break through failed. We inflicted sanguinary losses and took over 2,100 prisoners. Where the enemy penetrated, the fighting continues. Fresh attacks are expected. Fighting between Prunay and Auberive has developed, the battle-line therefore extending from the Oise into Champagne. We have entire confidence in the coming heavy fighting.

COSTLY GERMAN FAILURES.

LONDON, April 17th.

Reuter's correspondent at Headquarters remarks:—When the Germans make up their minds to cease attacking Monchy-le-Preaux their casualties will amount to an appalling total. The lure is still strong upon them, despite their very costly failures, and prisoners' state that, if the attack in which they were captured was unsuccessful, other attempts will be made.

We need not complain of the enemy's continuing to give us opportunities to punish him. The heaviest and most determined German effort to retake the key position was made on April 14th, at Roex, which lies on the north bank of the Scarpe, two miles from Monchy. This hurled many German batteries which were able to sweep the intervening valley.

The country is most favourable to open fighting and affords good cover for the concentration of troops. Sart Wood lies north-east of Vert Wood and south-east, at no great distance, we lay along the ground on April 14th, with other forces to the north of Monchy, preparing for a nut-cracker advance. The Huns could not have timed the effort to retake the village more opportunely, for it was at the very moment that we were ready to advance. The Germans massing in the two Woods were hotly bombarded. The enemy advance from the south was beaten back before reaching within 150 yards of our position.

The Huns, emerging from Vert and Sart Woods, were caught by the bombardment and the shells tore their ranks most devastatingly. We subsequently learned that they were picked troops. They gained our front trenches before the village, after fierce hand-to-hand fighting. The British were ordered to allow the Boches to enter the long trench as thickly as they pleased; then, terribly enfiladed, these withered and fled in disorder. The enemy lost 2,300 killed alone. One officer claims to have shot forty before the latter bolted.

HEAVY FIGHTING.

LONDON, April 18th.

A German official wireless message states:—After their failure, with heavy losses, to break through our lines on the Aisne, the French have not renewed their attacks.

There has been bitter day-long fighting on both sides of the Auberive in Champagne.

The Near East.

EARLIER CABLES.

[THROUGH REUTER'S AGENCY.]

IN MESOPOTAMIA.

BRITISH STILL ADVANCING.

LONDON, April 17th.

A Mesopotamian official message, sent by General Maude yesterday, reports an advance by night on the right bank of the Tigris to within a mile and a half of the position occupied by the 18th Turkish Army Corps, covering Istabulat Station, on the Bagdad Samarra Railway. The enemy fell back without offering any opposition.

Naval Activities.

LATEST CABLES.

[THROUGH REUTER'S AGENCY.]

BLOCKADE OF AMERICAN PORTS BEGUN.

GERMAN SUBMARINE ACTIVITY.

WASHINGTON, April 18th.

A German submarine fired on an American destroyer 100 miles south of New York. Thus a German submarine blockade of American ports has begun.

General.

LATEST CABLES.

[THROUGH REUTER'S AGENCY.]

LABOUR DISCONTENT IN GERMANY.

A GREAT STRIKE.

LONDON, April 17th.

For some days past news has been arriving of grave industrial discontent in Germany.

A great strike of metal, wood, and transport workers broke out at the weekend in Berlin, the first serious labour trouble since the munitions workers' strike, after the conviction of Herr Liebsch. Well over 100,000 workers are out, due apparently to the reduction of the bread ration. No disturbances have broken out, the men either have not appeared at work at all, or left after breakfast. Some of the munition workers have also struck.

The papers gloss over the incidents, declaring that work at some of the large munition factories is being carried on by almost all hands.

There have been street gatherings and street processions, and pacifist leaflets have been distributed by the strikers.

A procession in Greater Berlin endeavoured to penetrate a part of the city, but they found access barred by the police, though some bodies succeeded in entering the interior of the city.

The Trades Union leaders are doing their utmost to pacify the men. They described the negotiations with the Government on the food question with the result that the movement was kept within bounds in Berlin, but probably it is more serious in other labour centres, such as Chemnitz, from which place no reports have yet been received. A significant telegram was allowed to leave Germany this evening stating that the great majority of works were idle yesterday but work was resumed to-day.

A German wireless message to-night airily remarks that only 125,000 men have struck.

The situation is not rendered easier by the statement issued by the German Agricultural Society that the severe winter and protracted frosts have considerably damaged the winter wheat. Farmers have been urged to sow all the summer wheat possible, especially as barley is most scarce.

COUNSELS OF EMPIRE.

OVERSEAS STATESMEN ENTERTAINED.

LONDON, April 18th.

There was a reception this afternoon at the Imperial Institute in honour of the Dominions and Indian representatives who are attending the war conference. The reception was organised by the British Imperial League, the British Empire Club and other bodies. There were 2,500 guests.

Mr. Lloyd George sent a message regretting his inability to attend, and, in an address of welcome to the organisers, said that many a battle had proved to the world that in fighting and in death the sons of the Empire were not divided. "Your presence in London at such a critical time as Statesmen and Imperial advisers, equally proves how undivided are the counsels of Empire."

SHIPPING CONTROLLER INVITES INFORMATION.

LONDON, April 17th.

The Press Bureau announces that the Shipping Controller invites information regarding any projects to establish new shipbuilding yards and also seeks to expedite the construction of Marine engines.

KING REVIEWS AUSTRALIAN TROOPS.

A GALLIPOLI HERO.

LONDON, April 18th.

The King reviewed the Australians on Salisbury Plain, where he was welcomed by a distinguished company, including the High Commissioner, the Agent Generals, the American Attaché, and General Turner, commanding the Canadians.

His Majesty minutely inspected the lines, and then the troops marched past, eliciting hearty cheers from the hundreds of spectators on the hillside.

The troops were commanded by General Newton Moore.

His Majesty said he was more than delighted with the troops and all he had seen.

Before leaving His Majesty decorated a number of Australian officers, including Captain Moore, who, at Gallipoli, captured two machine-guns and killed five Turks single-handed.

The King, in a message to General Newton Moore at the conclusion of the review, expressed his satisfaction at the appearance of the fine body of men. He added:—"I know you will all acquire yourselves with credit when you reinforce the splendid Australian divisions at the front."

EARLIER CABLES.

GERMANY'S DEAD.

GRUESOME TREATMENT.

LONDON, April 17th.

A sensation has been created by the publication of some of the details of the revolting treatment to which the Germans subject their dead soldiers in converting their bodies into pigs' food and manure.

The newspaper *La Belgique*, of Leyden, contains a full version of the ghastly process. It says:—"German science is responsible for the idea of the formation of the German Official Utilisation Company, Limited, which is a dividend-earning Company with a capital of a quarter of a million, the first factory of which has been constructed at St. Vith for dealing specially with the dead from the Western Front. If the results are as good as the Company hopes, a second factory will be established to deal with corpses from the Eastern Front."

"The factory is invisible from the railway. It is placed deep in forest country with a specially thick growth of trees around. Live wires surround it. In the north-west corner, the discharge of trains takes place. There is a laboratory. The chief chemist in charge of the works has two assistants and seventy-eight men—all soldiers, of the Eighth Army Corps. There is a sanatorium near the works. No man is permitted to leave the latter, they being guarded as prisoners at their appalling work."

The *Daily Mail*, commenting on the subject, says:—"Civilised races have always regarded dishonouring their dead as cannibalism. That the Hohenzollerns should, after using their subjects as gun-fodder, treat their bodies as offal, more than outrages all our ideals of faith."

[Much of this message has been deleted, owing to its revolting nature.—Ed. H.K. D.P.]

FOOD SUPPLY QUESTION.

RECIPROCAL SCHEME FOR ALLIES.

OTTAWA, April 17th.

The Government has put on the free list wheat, wheat flour, and semolina, in accordance with the reciprocal agreement with the United States to send provisions to the Allies.

FRANCE AND AMERICA.

PARIS, April 17th.

The distinguished political writer and Deputy, M. Kerdien, is proceeding as High Commissioner of the French Republic to the United States, being entrusted with plenary powers to co-ordinate all technical measures of co-operation.

PEACE MOVEMENT.

GERMANY AND AUSTRIA ANXIOUS.

LONDON, April 17th.

It is apparent from various indications in the German papers that the peace movement is being followed with closest interest. The comings and goings of the Socialists from the different countries in the Scandinavian cities demonstrate, despite numerous denials, and despite German affectation of indifference, that Germany and Austria are equally anxious to establish a bridge for communicating with the Russian pacifists. The latest suggestion from German publicists is that they must not arouse the suspicions of the Russians by over-eagerness. They must leave them time to reflect where their real interests lie, namely, in friendship with their neighbour Germany.

AERIAL REPRISALS.

GERMAN TOWN BOMBED.

LONDON, April 17th.

A Berlin official message states:—Twenty-three aeroplanes attacked Freiburg-in-Breisgau on Saturday, 11 people being killed and 27 injured. The University was considerably damaged and the Municipal Theatre, institutes and infirmaries attacked.

Three British aeroplanes were brought down, and the leader of the attack, a British Lieutenant Colonel, taken prisoner. According to his statements and a fly-sheet thrown down, the attack was a reprisal for the torpedoing of the Gloucester Castle. The statement vigorously contests such justification and declares that Britain must take the consequences of despising Germany's warning against the misuse of hospital ships. It adds that a revengeful attack on an open town in which there are no military important objects is cheap glory.

FOOD PRICES.

GENERAL INCREASE.

LONDON, April 17th.

Food prices in Canada have increased by forty per cent., in the United States by twenty-five per cent., in Italy by seventy per cent., and in Vienna by one hundred and seventy-one per cent., since July 1914.

ALLIED LABOURITES.

CONGRESS IN RUSSIA.

PETROGRAD, April 17th.

The Anglo-French Labour deputations were given a most enthusiastic reception at the Congress of Workmen's and Soldiers' delegates. M. Tchekicoff, the President, warmly welcomed the deputations, and Mr. O'Grady replied saying that henceforth British and Russian would fight side by side for the destruction of the oppressor of the world, William Hohenzollern. Finally, the British, French and Russian delegates joined hands and sang the "Internationale."

AMERICA AND WAR.

BRITISH PARLIAMENT'S CONGRATULATIONS.

LONDON, April 16th.

The following resolution, relating to the intervention of the United States, will be moved on the 18th inst., being proposed by Mr. Lloyd George and seconded by Mr. Asquith in the House of Commons, and moved by Lord Curzon, seconded by Lord Grey in the House of Lords:—"This House desires to express the Government and people of the United States its profound appreciation at the action of the Government in joining the Allies, thus defending the high cause of freedom for the rights of humanity against the gravest menace by which it has ever been imperilled."

PROLONGATION OF PARLIAMENT.

ELECTION NOT WANTED.

LONDON, April 17th.

In the House of Commons, in moving the second reading of the Bill prolonging the life of Parliament until November 30th, Mr. Bonar Law said it would be a misfortune if an election were forced at present, when we were in the crucial phase of the war and when our troops were engaged in the greatest operation since the war, in which they had been successful beyond expectations.

Mr. Asquith expressed the opinion that an election at present would not trustworthily indicate the feeling of the country.

Mr. Dillon moved the rejection of the Bill as a protest against the non-settlement of the Irish question.

Mr. Bonar Law, replying to complaints that the Government had not indicated its intentions regarding Ireland, said he hoped that it would be possible, early next week, to indicate the Government's policy. The Government was devoting earnest attention to the problem.

Mr. Bonar Law referred to the prevailing atmosphere of goodwill, and that there was no need absolutely to despair of arriving at some solution. He added that he hoped the House which had seen the beginning of the war would also see the end.

Latex.

The Parliament Prolongation Bill was read a second time by 286 votes to 52, the minority being composed wholly of Nationalists.

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